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TO: HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

Ernest Martin, Chair

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LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813-3077

DATE: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 2012

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

FROM: Dexter Yamada – KYD, Inc. - President/CEO

RE: Bill 10 Relating to the use of bags provided to customers.

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PETITION 32

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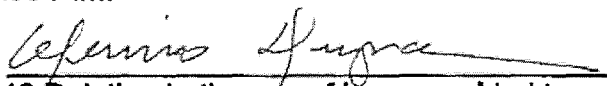
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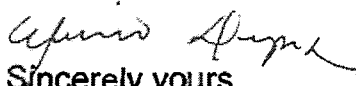
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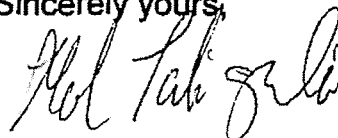
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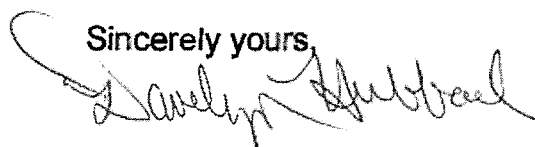
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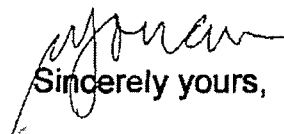
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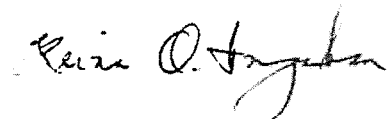
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